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William F. Caton, Acting, Secretary  
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**Re: Report of Ex Parte Communication  
MM Docket No. 87-268**

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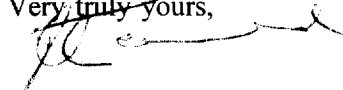
Dear Mr. Caton:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(a) of the Commission's Rules, I am submitting herewith two copies of a letter dated February 12, 1997, sent to Chairman **Hundt** and Commissioners **Quello**, **Ness**, and **Chong**; Roy Stewart, Chief, and Keith Larson, Assistant Chief, of the **Mass Media Bureau**, and Bruce Franca of the **Office of Engineering and Technology** by Sherwin Grossman, President of the **Community Broadcasters Association**, relating to digital television, which is the subject of the above-reference pending rule making proceeding.

This letter reports progress made to date by the Community Broadcasters Association in running a computer program to make digital television allotments which protect existing low power television stations.

Please place this document in the *ex parte* files for MM Docket No. 87-268.

Very truly yours,



Peter Tannenwald

Attachment

cc: (all by e-mail)

Chairman Reed E. Hundt  
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**RE: CBA UPDATE**

Dear Chairman Hundt:

This is to bring you up to date in CBA's DTV program. We ran our software program and found it very interesting, we are putting the LP stations in the database and our program will take them into consideration. In our first run we were able to save the stations in Florida. We are now doing the input from our database and hopefully tomorrow will start the run of the Southeastern United States.

We have approximately 550 LPTV's and at this time I would like to formally thank Bruce Franca and Bob Eckert for their full cooperation in getting us to this stage.

The LPTV industry through CBA has expended close to \$50,000.00 to get to this point. We have a staff working on this and as I have told you in the past, we are doing it on a crash basis.

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We will keep all parties advised of our progress and  
hopefully, we can make a contribution.

Best personal regards,

*Sherwin Grossman*  
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President.

SG/mg

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